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C O N F I D E N T I A L ASMARA 0370

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AEMR
SUBJECT: ASMARA VIEW ON EXTENSION

REF: AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA 2576 (DTG 261627Z APR 77)

1. I CONCUR THAT THE ATMOSPHERE HAS CLEARLY IMPROVED IN ASMARA,
AND OIC AND I AGREE THAT IF WE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THE SAME TREAT-
MENT FROM EPMG AS WE HAVE TODAY, DISMANTLING AND SHIPPING OF ADD-
ITIONAL EQUIPMENT FROM TRACT BRAVO IS WORTHWHILE.

2. OIC PROPOSES TO RETAIN 6 USN, 6 CISCO, AND ONE PA&E PERSONNEL
TO ASSIST IN REMOVAL OF ALL REMAINING PRIORITY ONE FROM MYSTIC STAR
AND ALL MODULES (ONLY) OF PRIORITY THREE FROM MYSTIC STAR. HE
BELIEVES THAT WITH A HALF DAY APRIL 27 AND A FULL DAY APRIL 28,
HE SHOULD BE ABLE TO COMPLETE DISMANTLING AND LOADING OF THIS
EQUIPMENT. NO OUTSIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED.

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3. CONGEN WILL RETAIN APO AND COMMUNICATOR, NCOIC AND THREE MSGS.
CONGEN WILL PROVIDE COMMO SUPPORT AND LIAISON WITH EPMG OFFICIALS.
CONGEN SECURE CIRCUIT WILL REMAIN IN OPERATION UNTIL 0700 APRIL
29.

4. WE ANTICIPATE MAC C-141 TO ARRIVE APPROX 1000 LOCAL APRIL 29

TO TRANSPORT REMAINING 19 USG PERSONNEL AND MYSTIC STAR EQUIPMENT. WEIGHT AND CUBE OF LATTER WILL BE PROVIDED SOONEST. ANY OF THE PROPOSED EQUIPMENT WHICH HAS NOT BEEN DISASSEMBLED BY 1700 LOCAL APRIL 28 WILL BE ABANDONED.

5. TWO C-141 FLIGHTS ARRIVING APRIL 27 WILL BE TRANSPORTING 25 USG PERSONNEL, 5 NON-AMCIT DEPENDENTS, ALL USG PROPERTY FROM BOTH CONGEN AND KAGNEW, AND PERSONAL EFFECTS FOR ALL USG PERSONNEL. MESSAGE ON CUBE AND WEIGHTS ESTIMATE NOW BEING PREPARED. SCHEDULE FOR A.M. APRIL 27 WILL BE SUBJECT SEPTTEL.

6. ATTITUDES OF LOCAL EPMG OFFICIALS TO THE EXTENSION CAN NOT YET BE ASSESSED AS THEY ARE NOT PRESENTLY INFORMED FROM ADDIS. IF THERE IS ANY CLEAR INDICATION THAT THEY OPPOSE EXTENSION, ALL USG PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT ALREADY PACKED WILL DEPART APRIL 27 MAC FLIGHTS. ASSUME EPMG IN ADDIS WILL COMPEL THEIR ASMARA COLLEAGUES TO COOPERATE. WILL ADVISE.

7. OIC NAVCOMMUNIT CONCURS.
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